



FUMC PORTSMOUTH
A RECONCILING CONGREGATION

We, the congregation of the First United Methodist Church of Portsmouth, New Hampshire, are dedicated to worshiping, learning, and serving with all people as we embrace Jesus Christ's message of love and acceptance. As a United Methodist Church we stand fully behind the statement "Open Hearts, Open Minds, and Open Doors" We celebrate our diversity and invite all persons regardless of age, gender, racial or ethnic background, sexual orientation, marital or socioeconomic status, nationality, physical or mental ability into full membership and participation in the life of this community of faith.

WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY

First United Methodist Church
October 7, 2018 10 AM

We Gather for Worship

Prelude & Entrance of Christ's Light

***Call to Worship:**

L: Welcome to this place:

**P: where children and seasoned citizens sit side by side,
where heaven and earth embrace in peace, where God has
been, is, and always will be.**

L: Welcome to this place, as we gather with all of God's children:

**P: where we find God's love, where we hear the tender voice
of Jesus, where the Spirit teaches us new songs.**

L: Welcome to this place, where all is made ready by our God:

**P: where we bring our hunger, and find food; where we bring
our brokenness, and find healing; where we bring our very
selves, and find acceptance.**

***Hymn:** "We All Are One in Mission" TFWS #2243

A Time for the Child in All of Us

Prayer (unison):

**God of mercy, we confess that we have not loved you with all our
being. We have done things which we ought not to have done,
and we have left undone things which we ought to have done. We
have built walls between neighbors and between countries, and
we have ignored the cries of those in need.**

**Forgive us and set us free, that we may live into the hope of your
calling, that your reign may come on earth as it is in heaven.**

Through Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon:

L: Thanks be to God: Jesus died for our sins. We are forgiven!

ALL: We are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

Sung Response: "Lord, Listen to Your Children" TFWS #2207

Ministry of Music

We Proclaim the Word

Reading the Word: Hebrews 1:1-4; 2:5-12

L: The Word of God for the People of God.

P: Thanks be to God.

Message: "Brothers and Sisters in Christ" - Rev. Deb Hanson

We Respond to God's Word

***Hymn:** "One Bread, One Body" UMH #620

Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer (unison):

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom
come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our
daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who
trespass against us. And lead us not in temptation, but deliver us from
evil, for Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever.
Amen.**

Giving of Our Tithes and Offerings

***Doxology:** (*Please join in singing the following*) UMH #95

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here
below; Praise him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy
Ghost. Amen.*

***Prayer of Dedication** (unison):

**Holy Giver of all that we need, you have filled our hearts with joy and
our hands with overflowing abundance. With thanks and joy, we bring
these gifts, offering ourselves in communion with you and with all
creation. Amen.**

A Service of Holy Communion - insert

We Go Forth to Serve

***Hymn:** "O Spirit of the Living God" UMH #539

***Choral Benediction:** (*Congregation encircles the Sanctuary*)

**May the Lord, gracious God bless and keep you forever. Grant you
peace, perfect peace, courage in every endeavor. Lift up your eyes and
seek His face, and His grace forever. May the Lord, mighty God bless
and keep you forever.**

***Pastor's Charge**

Postlude

**Please stand as you are comfortable*

Large print bulletins are available from the greeters



Welcome!

Whether you are joining us for worship for the first time or after many years of attending here at First UMC, we want you to know that you are welcome!

We are an inclusive community that invites everyone to be part of our church fellowship.

Thank you for being here, and we hope that you have had a meaningful experience of worshipping our God so you leave this place feeling that you have been blessed to be a blessing. Please join us again!

Rev. Deb Hanson



**Altar flowers this week are given
In Celebration of Karen's Adoption Day
Love, Mum**



New England Annual Conference

Tri-State District

The Rev. Sudarshana Devadhar, Bishop
The Rev. James McPhee, District Superintendent

Our Sunday Worship Team

Pastor - Rev. Dr. Debra J. Hanson

Pastor's Assistant - David Richards

Liturgist - Dave Atkinson ~ Lay Leader - Susan Sarosiek

Director of Music - Bevan Bloemendaal ~ Pianist - PaulaJ Jacobson

Acolyte - Greeters - Marilyn Stebbins

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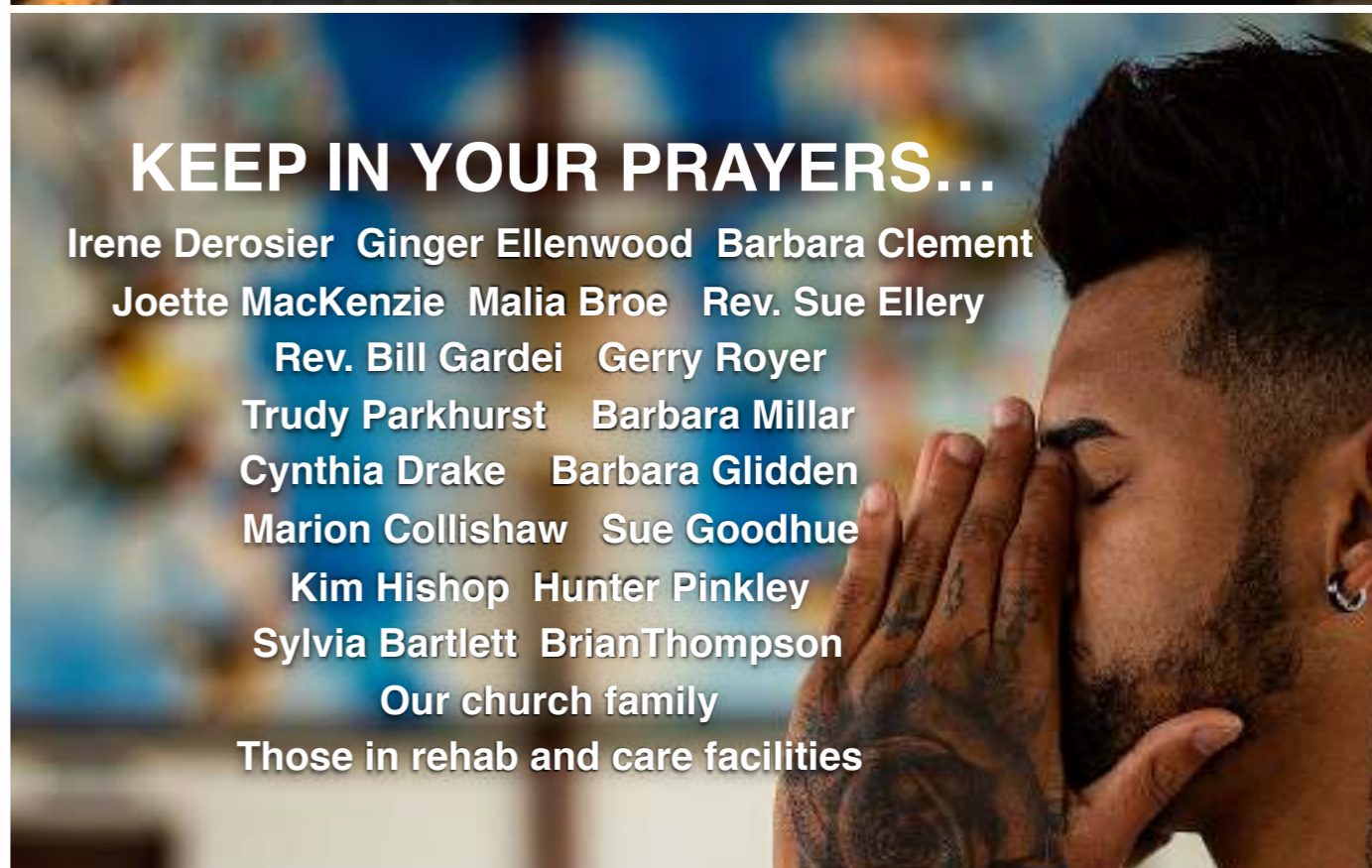
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**Join us for coffee
and fellowship
after the church service
this morning!**



KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS...

Irene Derosier Ginger Ellenwood Barbara Clement

Joette MacKenzie Malia Broe Rev. Sue Ellery

Rev. Bill Gardei Gerry Royer

Trudy Parkhurst Barbara Millar

Cynthia Drake Barbara Glidden

Marion Collishaw Sue Goodhue

Kim Hishop Hunter Pinkley

Sylvia Bartlett BrianThompson

Our church family

Those in rehab and care facilities

The Pumpkin Patch is now OPEN!!!

Pumpkin Jobs are available for all ages and physical abilities!

Pumpkin Patch Sign-up sheets are on Sanborn Hall kitchen counter on Sundays and online 24/7 at

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0a45a8ae22a7fd0-pumpkin8>

for Booth Schedule and, NEW this year, Homemade Goodies!



Golf Tournament 10/19
Pumpkin Delivery 10/20
Laity Sunday 10/21
Turkey Dinner 11/3
Bell Bazaar 11/17
Church Conference 11/19

UPCOMING EVENTS

MARK YOUR CALENDAR



Please place your loose change donations in the basket by the piano for the victims of the gas explosions and fires in Lawrence, North Andover, and Haverhill, Mass



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DAYS AND COUNTING
UNTIL THE BELL BAZAAR
ON NOV. 17TH
See Dianne Crisp to find
out how you can help!





A Service of Holy Communion
World Communion Sunday October 2018

The Great Thanksgiving

Invitation: United Congregational Church of South Africa

L: Let us remember in a moment of silence that we are invited to this table not by any one church, or any one minister, but by the Lord Jesus Christ, who calls us each one to join him. (Silence) Amen.

Eucharistic Prayers: Julia Esquivel, Guatemala

ALL: You emptied yourself completely, keeping nothing for yourself, O Christ. Now naked, utterly stripped, you give yourself to us as bread which sustains us and as wine that consoles us. You are Light and Truth. You are the Way and the Hope.

You are Love. Grow in us, Lord!

L: Wine and bread, lime juice and cassava, atole and tortillas, salabat juice and puto, coffee, rice, and coconut – these ingredients from our lives and lands are Eucharist. In them we can give thanks to God for God's gifts – that is the breaking down of all social, economic, and political barriers.

ALL: God, food for us all; Christ our bread. Give us a taste of the tender bread from your creation's table; bread newly taken from your heart's oven, food that contains and nourishes us. A loaf that makes us humans joined hand in hand, working and sharing. A sacrament of your body, a warm loaf that makes us a family; your children.

World Student Christian Federation

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World Student Christian Federation Consecration: *Bill Wallace, Aotearoa/New Zealand*

L: "I am more than flesh and bone, says Christ, "I am body, I am me. Take this broken bread and be as me, all of you, and I shall set you free."

"I am love and liveliness," says Christ. "I am blood, I am me. Take this outpoured cup and live my life, each of you, and I shall set you free. We are the body and the blood of Christ, broken, shared, cup and bread – dreaming, praying, working, joyfully. For that day when everyone is free!

Giving the Bread and Cup

The Sharing: *United Theological College, Bangalore, India*

L: When we break bread, do we not share in the body of Christ?

P: We seek to share your life, gracious God.

L: When we take the cup, do we not share in the life-blood of Christ?

P: We seek to share your life, gracious God.

Sharing the Bread and Cup

(The above resources from Gifts of Many Cultures, ed. MC Tirabassi & KW Eddy)

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Unison Prayer After Distribution: *UM Book of Worship*

Most Bountiful God, we give you thanks for the world you have created, for the gift of life, and for giving yourself to us in Jesus Christ, whose holy life, suffering, and death, and the glorious resurrection have delivered us from slavery to sin and death.

We thank you that in the power of your Holy Spirit you have fed us in this Sacrament, united us with Christ and each other, and given us a foretaste of your heavenly banquet.

We are your children, and yours is the glory, now and for ever, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.